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Title: FOOD PACKAGING  
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**In the Claims:**

Please amend the current claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A wrapper-strap for a sandwich, the wrapper-strap being of elongate foldable sheet material, the wrapper-strap having complementary first and second fastening formations towards opposed ends thereof to permit the wrapper-strap to be fitted snugly belt-fashion around a sandwich, by fastening the two fastening formations together and a transverse fold line corresponding to each fastening formation positioned midway between the associated fastening formation and a centre line of the wrapper-strap.
2. (Original) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first fastening formation near a first end of the wrapper-strap includes at least one slit extending transversely partly across the width of the wrapper-strap and opening out of one side thereof, and wherein the second fastening formation includes at least one opposing slit extending transversely partly across the width of the wrapper-strap and opening out of the opposing side thereof, thereby to permit the ends of the wrapper-strap to be fastened together by the slits inter-engaging saddle-fashion.

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3. (Original) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 2, wherein the first fastening formation includes a plurality of longitudinally spaced parallel slits all of which extend partly across the width of the wrapper-strap and open out of the one side, and wherein the second fastening formation includes a plurality of similar longitudinally spaced but opposed parallel slits, all of which extend partly across the width of the wrapper-strap and open out of the other side, thereby to permit adjustment in the peripheral length of the wrapper-strap to accommodate sandwiches of different sizes.

4. (Canceled) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 2, wherein the wrapper-strap has at least one transverse fold line positioned between the fastening formations.

5. (Original) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 2, which includes a fold line corresponding to each slit, the fold line being parallel with and positioned midway between the corresponding slit and a centre line of the wrapper-strap.

6. (Original) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 1, wherein the width of the wrapper-strap is not greater than 6 cm.

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7. (Original) A wrapper strap as claimed in claim 1, wherein the width of the wrapper-strap is 53.5 mm.

8. (Original) A wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 1, wherein the wrapper-strap includes a central panel on which signage, indicia, or written directions of use are or can be provided.

9. (Currently amended) A food package which includes  
a sandwich; and  
an elongate wrapper-strap as claimed in claim 1 [of foldable sheet material] which fits snugly belt-fashion around the periphery of the sandwich.

10. (Original) A food package as claimed in claim 9, in which the wrapper-strap has a width which substantially matches an edge thickness of the sandwich.

11. (Canceled) A food package as claimed in claim 9, in which the wrapper-strap has complementary first and second fastening formations towards opposed ends thereof to permit the wrapper-strap to be fitted snugly belt-fashion around a sandwich, by fastening the two fastening formations together.

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12. (Original) A food package as claimed in claim 9, in which the sandwich is a hamburger.

13. (Currently amended) A method of presenting a sandwich to a user which includes wrapping a wrapper-strap which is of elongate foldable sheet material and has complementary first and second fastening formations towards opposed ends and a transverse fold line corresponding to each fastening formation positioned midway between the associated fastening formation and a centre line of the wrapper-strap around a sandwich and securing the ends of the strap together to hold the different components of the sandwich in place, whereafter receipt of the sandwich a user can remove the strap and use it to block an opening opposite a bite side of the sandwich while eating the sandwich, thereby to prevent the filling of the sandwich from passing the opening created between layers of the sandwich opposite the bite side of the sandwich.